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In re Application of

Flauntt et al.

Application No. 10/696,338

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Attorney Docket No. 24564C

ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b), filed June 25, 2008, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The petition satisfies the requirements of 37 CFR 1.137(b) in that petitioner has supplied (1) the reply in the form of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and an Amendment, (2) the petition fee, and (3) a proper statement of unintentional delay.

An extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 must be filed prior to the expiration of the maximum extendable period for reply. See In re Application of S., 8 USPQ2d 1630, 1631 (Comm'r Pats. 1988). Accordingly, since the \$2230.00 extension of time fee submitted with the petition on was subsequent to the maximum extendable period for reply, this fee is unnecessary and will be credited to petitioner's deposit account as authorized.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3206.

This matter is being referred to Technology Center 1796 for processing of the Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR 1.114 filed with the instant petition.

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